No proposal for development of Integrated Textile Park at Madurai and Shivakasi has been received.

Malls and high rise buildings on textile mills-Land

3479. SHRI RAJ KUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hon. Supreme Court has allowed 600 acre of textile mills land in Mumbai for planned development;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the malls and high rise buildings likely to come on this land; and

(d) how is Mumbai infrastructure likely to benefit from this planned development?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) and (b) The Hon'ble Supreme Court has given a judgment upholding the amendment made by the Government of Maharashtra in 2001 in the Development Control & Regulations 58 (DCR 58). The Supreme Court also observed that sale of 5 mills by the National Textile Corporation (NTC) was not contrary to the scheme approved by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR). NTC has 103.34 acres of mills' land in Mumbai for sale. Out of this, 48.29 acres have already been sold by NTC.

(c) and (d) The projects that are expected to come up on these lands will be developed by the buyers and they are free to carry out any development including malls and high rise buildings as per the regulations framed by the local municipal authorities.

Fall in Cotton Prices

3480. SHRI N.R. GOVINDA RAJAR: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the price of cotton has fallen sharply in comparison to the international market and farmers are not getting remunerative price;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;